

## **Agronomist needed with entrepreneurial vision**

Are you an agronomist with knowledge of plants and soil conditions, who can use his/her expertise to translate a business plan into a profitable commercial venture? We are looking for an experienced agronomist with at least 5 years of relevant practical experience in a commercial role. Candidates should be able to:

- Assess soil quality against crop to be planted;
- Advise on relevant crop planting and rotation techniques needed to boost yield and minimize fertilizer application;
- Identify and determine causes affecting poor yield in soil;
- Demonstrate knowledge of land use and land management practices and be able to provide relevant advice to clients;
- Advise farmers on modifying their farming methods based on applicable research data;
- Collaborate with the research institutions in the country and transfer their research finding to the optimum crop yield;
- Prepare scientific and agricultural documentation and records;
- Supervise farm work in a commercial venture;
- Translate market opportunities into commercial farming ventures;
- Assess market needs for various crop types and translate these needs into a business case for commercial farming.

### **Education and requirements**

- A certificate or bachelor degree in agronomy or other relevant degree in agriculture or horticulture;
- Background in translating market demand for agricultural products into a commercial farming opportunity;
- Good mathematical background and knowledge of the natural sciences;
- Background in plant physiology, entomology, biochemistry, soil chemistry and fertility and crop management.

### **About Holland Farming Sierra Leone Ltd**

Holland Farming Sierra Leone Ltd is owned by Sierra Leonean and Dutch partners. Established in 2007, Holland Farming Sierra Leone is a commercial input supplier for inputs such as NPK fertilizer, Urea, liquid sprayers and a wide variety of vegetable seeds, which are sold throughout the country at fair and competitive market prices.

The company was also set up to support The Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Food Security (MAFFS) in fulfilling its mandate to improve and support the agricultural sector in Sierra Leone. Holland Farming supports the following business objectives

- Sustainable and affordable supply of agricultural inputs.
- Diversity of its product range
- Affordability of its products through innovative packaging solutions to meet different customer demands and affordability.

### **Employment conditions**

A market conform salary package with a profit-sharing scheme and a company phone. Depending on the business case to be worked on, a motorbike and/or a company vehicle can be made available. There are opportunities for conferences and training possibilities abroad.

### **Interested?**

Please send one A4 motivation letter with a copy of your CV to The Managing Partner, Holland Farming Sierra Leone Ltd email: [info@hollandfarmingsl.com](mailto:info@hollandfarmingsl.com)